

BANK CLOSES ITS DOORS

A Constant Drain on Its Deposits Made It Necessary to Go Into Liquidation.

NEVADA'S GUNS IN PLACE

The Building Trades Council of Norfolk Enraged at the Election of Charles G. Kiser.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

NORFOLK, Va., Jan. 16.—The Portsmouth Dime Savings Bank has closed its doors and gone into liquidation. The public was notified of this action following a meeting of the Board of Directors this morning, by the following notice posted on the doors of the institution: "It is with regret that the Portsmouth Dime Savings Bank has to announce to the public that, being unable to realize on its securities so as to meet the continued calls of its depositors, the bank finds it necessary to close its doors and go into liquidation."

The notice did not cause any excitement, nor did it attract the attention it would on any other day save Saturday, when all the banks except the Dime Savings institution close at noon.

SUDDEN COLLAPSE. It is understood that the bank was in excellent condition up to this morning, and the failure to receive certain funds which it confidently expected caused it to take the action described.

Ever since the defalcation of Cashier Downing last November the directors have been doing everything in their power to make the institution a success. It looked as though they had gotten clear of the shoals and were on the way to retrieve all their losses, and the confidence among the five or six hundred depositors who remained with the bank after the November run was restored.

The end came to the directors, as to the public, with startling suddenness. The hard work of those identified with the institution to prevent its going to pieces is well known here, and the public was

AN UNPRECEDENTED DEMAND FOR HIS SKILLFUL SERVICES

Richmond Continues to Pay Tribute to Merit.

CHARLES LINCOLN SMITH TO REMAIN.

His Departure for Norfolk is Again Postponed for the Accommodation of Numbers—Another Week in Which to Consult Him.

The numerous demands for the services of Charles Lincoln Smith, the eminent New York optometrist, is unprecedented in the history of Richmond and has compelled him to postpone his departure for the city of Norfolk, where his former great successes have firmly established him in the esteem and confidence of the people.

During the past week his parlors in the Murphy's Hotel Annex have been crowded and so many have petitioned for his services, that he has been compelled to remain and finish the work that he has in hand. During the next week Charles Lincoln Smith will continue to receive during his office hours, from 10 A. M. to 4 P. M., and give consultations free.

If you have blurring, dizziness, neuralgia, headache, spots before the eyes, inflammations, winking, trembling, squint, cataract, burning and smarting of the eyes, various nervous and brain affections entailing not only positive injury to the sight, but untold misery, call immediately.

Smith, he declares to be the performer of an almost miraculous act. "I have been near-sighted all my life," says Mrs. Woodward, and was in fact so bad off that I could not recognize my friends on the street. In addition to this, for the past four years I have had spotted vision. Thousands and myriads of spots seemed to be floating constantly before my face.

Charles Lincoln Smith has eliminated this spotted vision with his original method and his prescription glasses have improved my near-sightedness to such an extent that I am no longer annoyed and feel the very greatest relief."

A POPULAR TEACHER. Miss J. E. Craver, of No. 611 Beverly Street, one of the popular instructors in the public schools, heaps encomiums on the reputation and skill of Charles Lincoln Smith. "I have been troubled with eye aches, which caused me much pain and almost constant headaches," says Miss Craver.

"I had been wearing glasses about three years before I applied to Charles Lincoln Smith and received the great relief for which I had been searching. His faithful and conscientious service commends him to all and his unquestioned skill brings the relief they desire."

PRaise FROM A PHYSICIAN. Dr. G. T. Collins, the well-known physician, of Highland Springs, is one of the physicians of Richmond, who has much to say in connection with Charles Lincoln Smith since he has been in this city. Dr. Collins says: "I most heartily endorse Charles Lincoln Smith and his method and prescription glasses. I have sent a number of my patients to him and each instance has been attended by phenomenal results."

"I made a personal test of his original method and am wearing a pair of his prescription glasses with the greatest satisfaction."

THE SIGHT OF YOUTH. J. E. Baker, the well-known of the Restoration of His Vision. J. E. Baker, foreman, employed at No. 1212 North Seventeenth Street, who lives at No. 625 North Eleventh, is revealing in the delights of the sight of his youth. "I have been troubled with defective vision for years and have used a number of different kinds and styles of glasses that were made for me. None of these did me any good and my eyes would smart and burn when I would wear them."

"I visited Charles Lincoln Smith at his parlors in Murphy's Hotel Annex, and only regret that the privilege of doing so had not been presented sooner. By his original method and the use of his prescription glasses, I now see with the eyes of my boyhood and can pursue my work without any interruption or inconvenience."

READS AND SEWS. No Headaches at Night and None During the Day. B. H. Guy, of the Richmond Paper Company, of this city, is another of the many who have been benefited by the visit of Charles Lincoln Smith and who does not hesitate to say so. Mr. Guy is rejoicing in the great blessing that has been bestowed upon his wife.

"I had suffered with headaches for years," says Mrs. Guy and could get no relief. Charles Lincoln Smith, by his original method and prescription glasses, original method with all of that and my morning reports of 'no headache during the night,' and my evening reports of 'no headache during the day' are a constant delight to my husband."

"Formerly I could not read or sew for any length of time, but I can now do either for hours and feel no effects."

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Absolute Clearance of Every Dollar's Worth of Odd Lots and Short Lengths of Winter Goods.

PRICES REGARDLESS OF COST TO MAKE ROOM FOR SPRING GOODS.

Plaid and Fancy, All Short Ends of Silks at Half Price.

75c. Crepe de Chine, in all the new shades, for, yard **59c** \$1.50 Black Moire, 36 inches wide, for, yard **75c** 50c. Foulards, in neat, pretty patterns, for, yard **37 1/2c** \$1. Plaid Silks, handsome patterns, for, yard **50c**

Deep Price Cutting of Ladies' and Children's Underwear.

LADIES' 50c. RIBBED VESTS AND PANTS, A GOOD, WELL MADE AND HONEST GARMENT, FOR 50c, IN ALL SIZES, FOR 42c. AT THIS SALE.

Ladies' 50c. Heavy Ribbed Vest and Pants, also extra large sizes, for **25c**
 Men's 50c. Fine Wool Fleece Lined Shirts and Drawers, for, each **59c**
 Boys' 50c. Fine Wool Fleece Lined Shirts and Drawers, for, each **21c**
 Infants' 50c. Wool Ribbed Wrappers for **15c**

Big Sacrifice of Fine Blankets.

Slightly Soiled 50c. White Blankets, to close out, choice **\$2.98**
 30c. White Wool 10-4 Blankets, at this sale, pair **\$1.98**

Big Cut in Comforts.

\$1.50 White Tufted Cotton Full Size Comforts, at this sale, heavy and light weights **\$2.48**
 \$3.50 Sateen Covered Comforts, for **\$5.00**
 \$6.48 Eiderdown Comforts, for **\$5.00**

WAISTS SACRIFICED.

French Flannel Waists, former price \$2.48 to \$3.48; choice **\$1.00**
 60c. Flannelized Waists 25c.

COAT REDUCTIONS.

Best Grade of Kersey Coats, box and military effects, regardless of cost, to close out—
 \$12.50 and \$10 Coats now \$6.
 \$15 Coats now \$7.50.
 \$20 Coats now \$10.

RAIN COATS.

A garment to be used in all seasons, but included in our great clearing sale.
 \$25 Cravenette Coats **\$20.00**
 \$20 Cravenette Coats **\$15.00**
 \$15 Cravenette Coats **\$12.50**
 \$12.50 Rain Proof Coats **\$10.00**
 \$10 Rain Proof Coats **\$7.50**

FUR BARGAINS.

Some choice selections in our Fur Department at greatly reduced figures.
 Double Fox Scarfs, former price \$25, now **\$15.00**
 Double Lynx Scarfs, former price \$40, now **\$20.00**
 \$50 Genuine Mole Skin Sets, reduced to **\$25.00**
 \$15 Natural Mink Scarfs, reduced to **\$8.50**
 \$10 Natural Mink Scarfs, reduced to **\$5.00**
 \$12.50 Natural Marten Scarfs, reduced to **\$5.00**

CHILDREN'S COATS.

\$10 Velvet Coats reduced to **\$7.50**
 \$8.48 Velvet Coats reduced to **\$6.48**
 \$6.48 Velvet Coats reduced to **\$4.98**
 \$5 Velvet Coats reduced to **\$3.98**
 \$12.50 Cloth Coats reduced to **\$7.50**
 \$8.50 and \$7.50 Cloth Coats reduced to **\$5.00**
 Odds and ends in Coats reduced to \$3.98 and \$5.00

A FEW SILK VELOUR COATS AT HALF PRICE.

These garments are all elegantly lined with light brocade satin and heavily interlined.
 \$50 Coats reduced to **\$25.00**
 \$40 Coats reduced to **\$20.00**
 \$30 Coats reduced to **\$15.00**
 Fur Coats and Astrachan Capes, less than cost.
 \$75 Near Seal Coats reduced to **\$50.00**
 \$50 Near Seal Coats reduced to **\$40.00**
 \$40 Near Seal Coats reduced to **\$30.00**
 \$30 Near Seal Coats reduced to **\$20.00**
 \$25 XXXX Astrachan Capes reduced to **\$25.00**

TAILOR-MADE SUITS.

\$75 Tailor-Made Suits reduced to **\$50.00**
 \$50 and \$40 Tailor-Made Suits reduced to **\$25.00**
 \$25 Tailor-Made Suits reduced to **\$15.00**
 Odds and ends, regardless of cost.

WILL SMOOT BE OUSTED?

Senate Committee on Privileges and Elections Hears Charges Against Him.

TIME ALLOWED FOR ANSWER

Utah Senator's Counsel Admits Right of Senate to Pass on Qualification of Members.

(By Associated Press.)

WASHINGTON, Jan. 16.—The Senate Committee on Privileges and Elections met today for the purpose of hearing the representations of the attorneys on both sides of the case involving the right of Senator Smoot, of Utah, to occupy his seat. Former Representative Taylor, of Ohio, appeared for some of the Protestants, and T. P. Stephenson for National Reform Association. A. S. Worthington and Waldemar Van Cott were present on behalf of Senator Smoot, who also was in attendance.

The first presentation was made by Mr. Taylor, who began his scheme by saying that he did not know that any proof would be presented in support of the charge that Mr. Smoot was a polygamist. He took up the question of the right of the Senate to expel a member, contending that the Senate's authority in the matter is limited only by the question of propriety. On the point of testimony Mr. Taylor said the Protestants expected to prove the following charges:

1. The Mormon priesthood, according to the doctrine of the church and the belief of its members, is vested with supreme and assumed to exercise supreme and civil and political. The head of the church claims to receive divine revelations, and these Reed Smoot by his covenants and obligations is bound to accept and obey.

2. The first presidency and twelve apostles, of whom Reed Smoot is one, are supreme in the exercise of the authority of the church and in the transmission of that authority to their successors. Each of them is called prophet, seer and revelator.

3. As shown by their teaching and by their own lives, the body of men has not abandoned belief in polygamy and polygamous cohabitation. On the contrary, they have maintained the same belief and practice to the present day.

(A) As the ruling authorities of the church they promulgate in the most solemn manner the doctrine of polygamy without reservation.

(B) The president of the Mormon Church and practice polygamy and polygamous cohabitation, and some of them have taken polygamous wives; since the manifesto of 1890 those things have been done with the knowledge and countenance of Reed Smoot; plural marriages have been performed by apostles and other high officials of the church have taken plural wives since that time. All of the first presidency and the twelve apostles encourage, countenance, counsel and connive at polygamous cohabitation and polygamous marriage.

(C) Though pledged by the compact of statehood and bound by the law of the Commonwealth, this supreme body, whose voice is law to its people and to the American people, permitted, without protest or objection, their legislators to pass a law nullifying the statute against polygamous cohabitation. For all these things Reed Smoot is responsible in law and in conscience to this body and to the American people.

In connection with the third specification, Mr. Taylor gave a list of the documents recognized by the Mormon Church as inspired. In this list he did not include the manifesto of 1890 but included the command to take plural wives, but he contended that this manifesto does not prohibit polygamy. He also declared that the doctrines and covenants of the church are still published by the church without any reference to the manifesto.

TIME FOR REPLY. In reply, Mr. Worthington said the statements made by Mr. Taylor differ very materially from the charges made in the formal statements, and he asked time in which to make reply, which was granted.

Mr. Worthington agreed that there was no limit to the power of the Senate to pass upon the qualification of its own members, but contended that its jurisdiction is limited. He then laid down the general proposition that the Senate was without jurisdiction of offenses, which may have been committed before a member became a senator, unless committed in connection with his election.

themed will be, "The Dream of a Nameless Woman."

The other pupils will be occupied with their regular pastors.

OFFICERS INSTALLED.

At the last meeting of Stuart Lodge Odd-Fellows, the officers for the term were installed by District Deputy Grand Master J. W. Driver, of Henderson Lodge. They are: Noble grand, B. H. Carter; vice-grand, E. H. Nebbett; secretary, G. W. Blankenship; treasurer, W. E. Adams; chaplain, C. F. Green; warden, H. A. Jordan; conductor, L. R. Brown; noble grand, J. G. Saunders; W. J. Lewis; guardians, E. J. Andrews, C. S. Sutton, W. S. Hubbard, James Carter; vice-grand, E. S. Moody and G. W. Payne.

A tent of Macnebes will be organized at Odd-Fellows' Hall, Eighth and Hull Streets, Tuesday night at 8 o'clock.

PERSONAL AND BRIEFS.

News was received here yesterday of

the death of Miss Ethel May Hatchet, in New York. She was the niece of Mrs. Mary French, and has other relatives and friends here, who regret her death.

Mrs. S. B. Bars has improved to the extent of being able to sit up.

Mrs. Charles Stein continues to improve.

The ladies of the City Mission are quite well satisfied at the proceeds of the "tea" given at the residence of Mrs. W. B. Bradley on Friday night.

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Jefferson Spring Wheat **33c**

Flour, 50 lbs. per barrel **10c**

Witch Hazel 3 to box **25c**

Octagon Shape Soap, 8 bars for **5c**

New Codfish, 1-pound pkg. **8c**

Boston Baked Beans, 3-lb. cans **65c**

Meat, best Dunlop, per peck 18c, 5c per bushel **25c**

Chewing Tobacco, Plu. m. Reynolds' Sun Cured, and all popular brands, 3 for **25c**

Cal. Evap'd Peaches, extra quality, 3 lbs. for **25c**

Thistle Brand Tomatoes, large cans, 3 for **25c**

New Hom'y & Grits for **5c**

Try-a-Bita Breakfast Food, or Malt-Vita, per package **12c**

Honey, 3 lbs. for **25c**

Vinegar, per gallon **20c**

Corned or Fresh Hams 15 **9c**

Soapine, per box **3c**

Rice, Whole Grain, Carolina, 4 lbs. for **25c**

Whole Sweet Pickle, per quart **10c**

Hams, Small California, Best Quality, per pound **9c**

Fresh French Candy 1b. 6c

New N. C. Herrings, Clipped, 3 dozen for 50c or \$1.00 per barrel; 1/2 lbs. for **\$2.00**

Green Rio Coffee, for cleaning, 5c

Kitchen Soap, 7 bars for **25c**

New Prunes, 7 pounds for **3c**

Porto Rico Tobacco, Smoking, per package **\$4.50**

Snow Flake Flour, patent family, per bag 30c, per barrel **\$4.80**

Silver King Flour, best on the market per bag 30c, or per barrel **\$1.10**

Bran and Brown Stuff, per one hundred **\$1.15**

Ship Stuff, per one hundred **\$1.15**

White A Sugar, 6 lbs. for **25c**

Best Tomatoes, large cans, **7c**

Sugar Corn, per can **8c**

Table Peaches, large cans, 2 for **25c**

Early June Peas, **9c**

Starch, per pound **4c**

Pure Leaf Lard, best quality, **9c**

Black Eyed Peas, quart, **5c**

Lemons, large and juicy, **12c**

Herrings, N. C. per doz. 18c, per 1/2 lb. **\$2.75**

Tea, Try our Green or Mixed, per pound **30c**

Cheese, per pound **15c**

Chipped Beef, 1/2-lb. cans, **25c**

Large Fat Mackerel, **5c**

Switzer Cheese, per pound **20c**

Shredded Coconut, **25c**

New 2-lb. for **\$2.00**

Vanilla Syrup, Jar, **10c**

Whiskies, Gibson XXXX, or ryo, per quart bottle **75c**

Wines, Blackberry or Calumet, per quart bottle **45c**

Smithfield Hams, Small, per lb. **16c**

Bakers Chocolates, per box, **15c**

Jellies, 5 pound **20c**

Tomatoes, cans, **6c**

New Seeded Raisins, in one pound packages, **10c**

Good Brooms, 3-string, 12c, 4-string brooms, **15c**

Mince Meat, Home-Made, **6c**

Preserves up in 5-lb. pails, **30c**

New Cleaned Currants, 1 lb. packages, **8c**

Brushes Scrubbing, **5c**

Duffy's Malt Whiskey, per bottle **80c**

Hay, No. 1 Timothy, per hundred, **85c**

Karamel Syrup, gallon 15c, **29c**

VERY ILL IN MANCHESTER

Judge B. A. Hancock Is in an Unconscious Condition.

IS NOT EXPECTED TO LIVE

The Funeral of Miss Winston. Services in the Churches.

Manchester Bureau, Times-Dispatch.

Judge Beverly Augustus Hancock, one of the most beloved men in Chesterfield county, lies at death's door, at his home, a few miles from Manchester.

For more than a week Judge Hancock has been in an unconscious and a semi-conscious condition. His physician, Dr. T. P. Matthews, has practically given up hope, and has discontinued the use of medicine, leaving the rest to nature.

Judge Hancock is suffering with cerebral meningitis. His doctor says he is not now feeling the pain that racked him before he became unconscious. It seems now that he is within the shadow of death's door.

The ill man is a self-made man. He built himself up to a leading man of the community by hard, persistent work. He never attended college, but acquired knowledge at the high country school and over the midnight candle.

He was born in Chesterfield county in September, 1847, and is, therefore, a comparatively young man. He served during the latter years of the Civil war as a soldier in the 11th Virginia Cavalry, and after the war he continued to study, and mastered the intricacies of the legal profession in the offices of the leading lawyers of Chesterfield county. After a short independent practice, he was elected Commonwealth's attorney, which position he held until he was chosen judge of the Third Circuit. He succeeded himself three times, and has just been elected for a fourth term, although the circuit has now been changed to the Fourth Judicial Circuit, embracing the counties of Chesterfield, Nottingham, Amelia, Powhatan and Dinwiddie.

Before he was chosen Commonwealth's attorney he served some time as county superintendent of schools with distinguished ability.

In 1878, Judge Hancock married Miss Mollie Taylor, of Chesterfield county, a sister of Mr. W. H. Taylor, Mrs. Phoebe Morris and Miss Cornelia Blanche Taylor, and half sister of C. B. Watt Taylor, and Mrs. J. B. Egan, of this city.

Judge and Mrs. Hancock have five children—Mary, Beverly, Cornelia, John B. Ella and Helen Hamilton. He has one sister, Miss Ella, who lives with him, and two half brothers, Professor Charles Winston, of Richmond College, and Dr. Wm. H. Winston, of Farmville.

Judge Hancock has for a long time been an active member of Clifton Street Baptist Church, and is considered a substantial pillar of that church. His influence is widespread, and his counsel in church matters are sought upon all occasions. There is unusual concern regarding his condition, and many prayers are being daily offered for his recovery.

FUNERAL OF MISS WINSTON. The funeral of Miss Willie A. Winston, of Bon Air, will be from the home of her brother, Captain J. C. Winston, of Chesterfield county, at 2 o'clock this afternoon. Her relatives in this city and elsewhere, who will attend the funeral, will leave on the 12:30 o'clock train today over the Southern and get off at Robeson's.

Miss Winston died at her home yesterday morning at 5 o'clock. She had many friends who grieve at her death.

CHURCH NOTICES. Rev. R. M. Chandler's subject at Central Methodist Church, this morning will be "Christian Conservatism." At night he will preach a special sermon to John Johnston Camp on "The Christian Soldier."

Rev. W. W. Slak will have as his morning subject: "A Wrestle With the Devil." At night he will preach on "The Seven Churches of Asia Minor."

Rev. J. T. Routen will have as his subject at the morning service, "Behind the Curtain With God," and at night his

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